Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest Lakewood-Laona Ranger District

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Dear Interested Party:

Thank you for your interest in the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest's Trails Program. I am initiating the scoping for the 2020 Lumber Jack Memorial Trail Reroute. This project would move the trail out of a wet area. Information on this project is available at: http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=58994.

The comment period ends 15 days from the date of this letter.

The Forest Service is requesting information, comments, and other assistance from Federal, State, and local agencies, tribes, landowners, and other individuals or organizations that have an interest in or could be affected by the proposed action. Specific comments are the most useful for the identification of issues and development and analysis of alternatives to the proposal.

All persons who provide comments, in response to this request will continue to receive information about this project and will be included in any additional public participation effort that may occur (however no additional participation is expected at this time). Those who do not respond will not receive additional information.

Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, are considered part of the public record on this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered; however, anonymous comments will not provide the Agency with the ability to provide the respondent with subsequent environmental documents.

Send comments to Mike Brown, District Ranger for the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest. Please send all comments to: Lakewood-Laona Ranger District, 15085 State Road 32, Lakewood, Wisconsin, 54138, Attention: Marilee Houtler. Faxed comments will also be accepted at 715-276-3594. Comments may be hand delivered to the Lakewood District Office between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

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confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets. The Forest Service will inform the requester of the agency's decision regarding the request for confidentiality, and where the request is denied; the agency will return the submission and notify the requester that the comments may be resubmitted with name and address within 10 days.

For more information on this project or if you have anything you would like to share regarding this project, please contact me at either number above. Alternatively, you may also contact Brain Hinch, project leader, at 4978 Hwy 8W, Laona, WI 54541 or phone him at (715)-674-4481.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL BROWN District Ranger

CC: Marilee Houtler